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LETTER FROM THE DEAN

These are exciting and challenging days in the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department at Case School of Dental Medicine. The excitement comes from the department's ever-increasing reputation as one of the nation's best and from our plans to renovate our clinic in order to provide better service for more patients. An additional operating room and state-of-the-art operatories will help us to continue to expand our program and to draw the best and the brightest residents.

All of these opportunities mean challenges and change. We are embarking on a nationwide search for a department chair who will lead this effort. **Faisal Quereshy '97**, has been doing a great job as program director and will serve as interim chair. This past summer we had a very well-attended faculty meeting to plan for the department as it goes forward. The enthusiasm and commitment for proposed change was most gratifying; however, effort and participation in addition to enthusiasm will be vital to its success.

- We need a higher level of financial support than ever in order to achieve our goals for the clinic renovation. This support will be an important message to the new chair.
- Our part-time faculty are incredible, but we continue to need more financial support for them in terms of sponsoring lectures and covering clinics.

Above all, we need your input about the future direction of the department. We also seek your ideas about suitable candidates for department chair.

We are committed to making this department better than ever and we look forward to hearing from you.

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John Blakemore '75, and **William Blood '93**, met during Dr. Blood's dental school training at Case School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Blakemore was one of Dr. Blood's teachers. "John always pressed on to the newest things and I learned a lot from him," says Dr. Blood. "Both he and **Jerry Goldberg '70**, offered me wonderful learning opportunities."

Today, Drs. Blakemore and Blood practice together at the North Coast Jaw Center in North Olmsted, Ohio. It's a partnership that both find very satisfying. Last summer the pair had freshman dental school students working with them in their office. "The students say that they learn a tremendous amount," relates Dr. Blakemore.

"I've been at this for thirty years and I love it," he continues and adds, "we do a bit of everything." Able to provide an historical perspective on his changing profession, Dr. Blakemore observed, "The best advances have been in orthognathic surgery. We do that differently now with shorter hospital stays." In addition to his professional practice, he also teaches implantology and general anesthesia to residents at his alma mater. "The program there is top-notch," he says. "It prepared me to be successful at what I do."

Dr. Blood is equally enthusiastic about his training. "I wanted to be an oral surgeon from the first week in dental school," he recalls. He says that the use of dental implants has changed the profession. "It's a lot of what we do now and it can make a big difference in a person's life. We also work on wisdom teeth and orthognathic surgery. Our practice is more insurance-driven now." Dr. Blood is also a clinical instructor at the Case dental school.

Both are family men. Dr. Blakemore tells us, "I have nine children and ten grandchildren." Dr. Blood just added the fourth child to his family in September. Both families reside in Westlake, Ohio.

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John Blakemore '75



William Blood '93

A WORK IN PROGRESS

The clinic renovation for the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department has been designed by Smith Architects. It will allow maximum utilization of facilities for the most efficient resident education, increase department productivity, enhance faculty recruitment, and increase resident applications. The goal of creating a state-of-the-art oral surgery clinic will include the acquisition of new equipment such as lights, monitors and chairs.

The new clinic will be made possible by donations from our alumni and friends of the department. Your feedback about this project is very important. Contact the Development and Alumni Affairs Department for information about naming opportunities: Call (216) 368-3480 or toll-free (877) 468-1436.



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RESEARCH PROGRESS:

Dr. Brad Buma (PGY 5): "Management of a Temporal Artery Pseudoaneurysm: (Case Report)" in progress.

Dr. Truitt Savell (PGY 5): "The Use of Cone-Beam Computerized Tomography (CBCT) in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery" in progress.

Dr. Cyrus Ramsey (PGY 3): "Orthodontic Micro-screw anchorage."

Dr. Sukhdeep Dhaliwal (PGY 3): "Bioresorbable Screw Fixation for autogenous alveolar ridge augmentation" (Awarded Grant \$40,000 supported by Biomet, W. Lorenz Surgical, Inc.)

2005 NEW RESIDENTS:

I would like to formally welcome and introduce our two new residents. This past year, the department had a total of 110 applications for the two available residency positions. The five-year integrated M.D. residency program is only one of two in the country. Our interview

process involved two interview sessions each 1½ days in length with the involvement of volunteer part-time faculty. A special thanks to all those who participated and made this process a success.

Dr. Sunwoong (Steve) Choi was born in Seoul, Korea and later immigrated to United States in 1987. He grew up in Orange County, California and attended University of Southern California School of Dentistry for his DDS. He is currently acclimating to Cleveland weather and his hobbies include fine dining, sleeping, and enjoying life.

Dr. Wei Guo completed dental school at the Case School of Dental Medicine '05, was a foreign dental school graduate of Beijing, China, as well as having completed postgraduate training in oral & maxillofacial surgery.

We welcome both of our new interns and look forward to their involvement over the next five years.

POSTRESIDENCY UPDATE:

Dr. Robert McNeill '04, is currently practicing full scope OMS in Garland, Texas in private practice at the Baylor Medical Center. Robert has successfully completed part I of the ABOMS board certification examination and anticipates board certification status for 2006.

Dr. Michael Scherer '04 has been part-time faculty at Cleveland VA Medical Center and Case School of Dental Medicine. He most recently completed a one year associateship with OMS Alumni Drs. William Chepla '78

and John Mascaro '92 (Willoughby, Ohio) and has moved to Illinois to begin private practice. He has also completed part I of the ABOMS certification process and is preparing for the oral examination component.

Both Robert and Michael have made financial commitments to the department for the next three consecutive years. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude for their generosity and commitment.

Dr. Evan Gold '03, currently practicing in the San Diego, California, was awarded diplomate status ABOMS in March 2005.

Dr. Troy Frazee '00, recently achieved fellowship status (F.A.C.S.) in the American College of Surgeons in October 2005.

Dr. John F. Zak '96, has most recently completed his Master of Business Administration (MBA) at Baldwin-Wallace College located in Berea, Ohio.

Dr. Gregory Ness '88, former OMS faculty at the Ohio State University, College of Dentistry, recently accepted a faculty OMS position at the Medical College of Virginia.

Faisal Quereshy, M.D., D.D.S., F.A.C.S., '97, recently expanded his family with the addition of baby boy, Rezah.

We would love to hear from you, please email faq@case.edu with any news or happenings in your life.

AAOMS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



Dr. Paul Bertin '76 and wife Patti; Dr. Alberto Campos and Dr. Ramos

Boston, Massachusetts, was the setting for the 87th Annual American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Meeting and scientific sessions in September 2005. The Welcome Reception for all Case School of Dental Medicine OMS alumni and other Case predoctoral alumni completing OMS training at other programs was a huge success.

Presenters from your alma mater included: Dr. Charles Babbush (Immediate Dental Implants); Dr. Faisal A. Quereshy '97 (Rhinoplasty).



Dr. Joe Niamtu '71 (right) and Dr. Bernie Johnson '72 (left) with his wife Norma (center)

See you in San Diego in October 2006!